

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: Amara Abdi
TOMOCHIKA MURAKAMI et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2624
Application No.: 10/758,023)
: Confirmation No. 6269
Filed: January 16, 2004)
:)
For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD,)
AND IMAGE PROCESSING)
APPARATUS) August 8, 2007

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

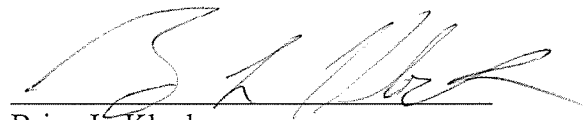
Sir:

In response to the restriction/election requirement mailed July 17, 2007,

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the invention of Species I, corresponding to claims 1-9, 13 and 17-19.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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